

**City of Whitewater**  
**Parks and Recreation Board**  
**Monday, September 10, 2012 - 5:00pm**  
Cravath Lakefront Room- 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, City Hall Municipal Building  
312 W Whitewater St. Whitewater, WI 53190

**MINUTES**

**Call to Order and Roll Call and Board Introductions**

The meeting was called to order at 5:04pm

Present: Ken Kidd, Teri Smith, Rachel DePorter, Kim Gosh, Bruce Parker, Brandon Knedler and Nathan Jaeger

Absent: Jen Kaina

Staff: Matt Amundson, Michelle Dujardin, and Deb Weberpal

**Consent Agenda**

No items to be removed from consent agenda. Knedler moved to accept the consent agenda consisting of approval of Parks and Recreation Board minutes of August 6, 2012. Seconded by Parker. Ayes: Kidd, Smith, DePorter, Gosh, Knedler, Parker and Jaeger. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent Kaina. Motion passed

**Hearing of Citizen Comments**

No formal action will be taken during this meeting, although issues raised may become part of a future agenda. Participants are allotted a 3 minute speaking period. Specific items listed on the agenda may not be discussed at this time; however, citizens are invited to speak to those issues as designated in the agenda.

No Citizen Comments

**Staff Reports:**

Parks & Recreation Director:

- Football: Flag Football started this week and is going great! Tackle will be at Perkins Stadium Saturday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. Concussions sign off sheets will now be mandatory for all sports.
- Treyton Kilar Field of Dreams: Members of the committee toured fields in Oshkosh, Concordia, Waupun, and Miller Park. Committee members walked away with ideas to create facility areas with a simple and tasteful aspect.

Recreation & Community Events Programmer:

- Pig In The Park: Friday, September 21<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> Pig In The Park will take place at Cravath Lakefront Park. Event will include a Kansas City BBQ Cook Off, Motorcycle Show, W3 5k Run/Walk, W3 One Mile Fit Kid Shuffle, Food Vendors, Inflatable's, Eating Contests, and Live Music.
- Fall Programs: The majority of Fall programs started this week. Gymnastics, Dance and Tae Kwon Do numbers are looking good. More Fall programs will begin in the next two months.

Senior Coordinator

- Pickle ball: The pickle ball program has started in the Trippe Lake Parking Lot, several people are playing and things are going well. Four volunteers are helping with equipment set up and running the program.

**Discussion and possible action related to transient merchants in City Parks**

Amundson introduced topic of an unnamed group interested in selling concessions at Starin Park, but has not yet filed paperwork. The Park & Recreation Board took no action and directed Amundson to bring interested parties back to the board for a case by case decision.

**Discussion and possible action related to lakes management**

Amundson presented topic and shared residents concerns of both Trippe and Cravath Lake. Wisconsin DNR is scheduled to visit the lakes in October or December to discuss concerns. The board directed staff to explore grant opportunities for a study to dredge or create "refuge island" in one or both lakes. Staff was also asked to explore the possibility harvesting plants during cold weather.

**Review, discussion, and possible action related to 2013 Budget**

The work in progress budget was presented with an unbalanced budget over targeted mark by \$179,361.00.

Items in budget that contributed to overages:

Emerald Ash Borer	\$32,549
Turtle Mound Playground	\$15,000
Starin Little League Fence	\$10,000
HVAC Control System	\$95,000

Additional reductions that have been discussed:

Staff Change	\$4,971
Eliminate Paddleboats	\$1,356

Parker suggested adding hanging baskets to Whitewater Street and eliminating baskets west of Franklin, since they get lost in the trees.

(Parker leaves meeting 5:55pm)

Board expressed concerns on Emerald Ash Borer costs, success rate, and man power to treat trees.

Knedler moved to budget \$5,000 for new tree planting, \$10,000 for new Turtle Mound Park playground equipment, and \$5,000 for Starin Park little league improvements out of the Capital Improvement Project Fund. Seconded by DePorter. Ayes: Kidd, Smith, DePorter, Gosh, Knedler, and Jaeger. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent Kaina and Parker. Motion passed

Kidd moved to add a Recreation Coordinator 20hrs a week at \$12 per hour, remove clerical support and remove paid internship program from the Recreation Budget. Seconded by Smith. Ayes: Kidd, Smith, DePorter, Gosh, Knedler, and Jaeger. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent Kaina and Parker. Motion passed

Smith moved to eliminate Cravat Lakefront concessions and paddleboat rentals from the 2013 budget. Seconded by DePorter. Ayes: Kidd, Smith, DePorter, Gosh, Knedler, and Jaeger. Noes: None. Abstain: None. Absent Kaina and Parker. Motion passed

**Request for future agenda items**

- No requests given

**Adjourn**

A motion to adjourn was made at 7:39pm by Knedler. Second by Jaeger. Affirmed by voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,

*Michelle Dujardin*

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